

Services and Events this week and next Sunday

Easter Day 31 st March	6.30am	Dawn Service, Hillhead Picnic Site, Colyton
	8.00am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.30am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.30am	Eucharist, St Michael's, Colyford
	10.00am	Eucharist, St Michael's, Musbury
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Winifred's, Branscombe
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Giles's, Northleigh
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Lawrence's, Southleigh
	1.30pm	Aurora & Luna Evans baptism, St Andrew's
6.30pm	Evensong, St Andrew's, Colyton	
Monday 1st April	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
Tuesday 2nd April	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	2.30pm	Good Grief Tea & Chat, SSB, Colyton
Wednesday 3rd April	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	10.00am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	4.15pm	Silent Prayers for Peace, St Andrew's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
Thursday 4th April	8.30am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	1.00pm	Bell-Ringing, St Andrew's, Colyton
	1.00pm	Gareth Davies Funeral, St Michael's, Colyford
Friday 5th April	8.00am	Morning Prayer, St Andrew's, Colyton
	10.00am	Friendly Friday, St Andrew's, Colyton
Saturday 6th April		
Sunday 7th April 2 nd Sunday of Easter	8.00am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	9.30am	Eucharist, St Andrew's, Colyton
	10.00am	Village Praise, St Michael's, Musbury
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Winifred's, Branscombe
	11.15am	Eucharist, St Giles's, Northleigh
	11.15am	Morning Prayer, St Lawrence's, Southleigh
	3.30pm	Village Praise, St Michael's, Colyford

Please note that Father Steven will be on annual leave from Easter Monday to Monday 15th April inclusive. For urgent pastoral matters please contact Fr Colin Preece (552154) or Hilary Smith (551577).

Please note there will be no Evening Prayer around the villages this week.



Sunday 31st March 2024

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Easter Day

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Prayers and Readings for this Sunday

Collect Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

Acts 10. 34–43 Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Psalms 118. 1–2, 14–24 1 O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious * because his mercy endureth for ever. 2 Let Israel now confess, that he is gracious * and that his mercy endureth for ever. 14 The Lord is my strength, and my song * and is become my salvation. 15 The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous * the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass. 16 The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence * the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass. 17 I shall not die, but live * and declare the works of the Lord. 18 The Lord hath chastened and corrected me * but he hath not given me over unto death. 19 Open me the gates of righteousness * that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord. 20 This is the gate of the Lord * the righteous shall

enter into it. 21 I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me * and art become my salvation. 22 The same stone which the builders refused * is become the headstone in the corner. 23 This is the Lord's doing * and it is marvellous in our eyes. 24 This is the day which the Lord hath made * we will rejoice and be glad in it.

1 Corinthians 15. 1–11 Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

John 20. 1–18 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For

whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Post-Communion Collect God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Good Grief Tea & Chat, Tuesday 2nd April, 2.30pm – 4pm in the Sunday School Building, Colyton. A friendly and welcoming group for those experiencing grief and loss. Please contact Wendy Brooks for more details: 01297 552842

Exeter Diocese Mothers' Union Lady Day service, Monday 8th April, 11am at St Andrew's, Colyton. Please do come and join us for this annual MU diocesan event. For further details, please contact Christine Sansom (01297) 552065.

Christian Aid planning meeting, Thursday 11th April, 6–7pm in the Sunday School Building (Colyton). Can you join to help our neighbours in some of the poorest parts of the world in extreme poverty? We are holding a get together with Amanda Evans from Christian Aid to explore what more the Holyford Mission Community can do. It would be great if each parish could come along to the meeting. Jane Dauncey, 01297 552514 or jdauncey1@gmail.com

St Winifred's Church, Branscombe are holding a **Race Night fundraiser** on Saturday 13th April, 7.30pm in Branoc Hall. Entry is £10 to include a ploughman's supper. Tickets and further information from 01395 579317.

Your prayers this week are asked:

Sunday	For the transformative power of Love
Monday	For schoolchildren on holiday
Tuesday	For those in hospital
Wednesday	For the bereaved
Thursday	For the family and friends of the late Gareth Davies
Friday	For those unable to find employment
Saturday	For those who are travelling